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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: VT school administrators, federal grant subrecipients, and agency staff

FROM: Cathy Hilgendorf, School Finance Team

SUBJECT: New regulatory guidance for federal grant funds

DATE: 12/30/13

On 12/26/13 the federal Office of Management and Budget replaced the administrative regulations for the use of <u>federal funds</u> which had been in place for many years. The long-anticipated "super circular" has consolidated several separate OMB circulars which have guided our federal grant administration. The replaced, now-obsolete regulations include circulars A-87, A-122, A-21, and A-133 and others.

The familiar old circulars are all replaced with

https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2013/12/26/2013-30465/uniform-administrative-requirements-cost-principles-and-audit-requirements-for-federal-awards which concern funds from many federal agencies. Federal officials have indicated that the US Dept. of Education may not offer written education-specific interpretation/guidance for possibly another year. In the meantime, we advise that you refer to "Part 200" as reflected in the Federal Register 2013-30465.

The new document is huge, but is comprehensive and well-organized. Within the Federal Register, the new regulation itself begins on page 78,608 – the section before that is helpful commentary and explanation but is not the actual regulatory guidance itself, which is entitled "Part 200 – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements For Federal Awards".

It will take all of us a little time to identify and absorb the changes and integrate them into our work. Information about AOE-sponsored trainings, etc. will come later.

## New Federal Regulations

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